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Dear Sir:

On August 5, 2004, Applicant provided all the required documents and fees for the above-identified patent application. The Information Disclosure Statement was filed on August 11, 2004. However, Applicant has yet to receive an Office Action on the merits. Accordingly,

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in view of MPEP §§ 203.08, 711.02 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.135, Applicant respectfully requests a  
Status Report for the above-identified patent application.

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